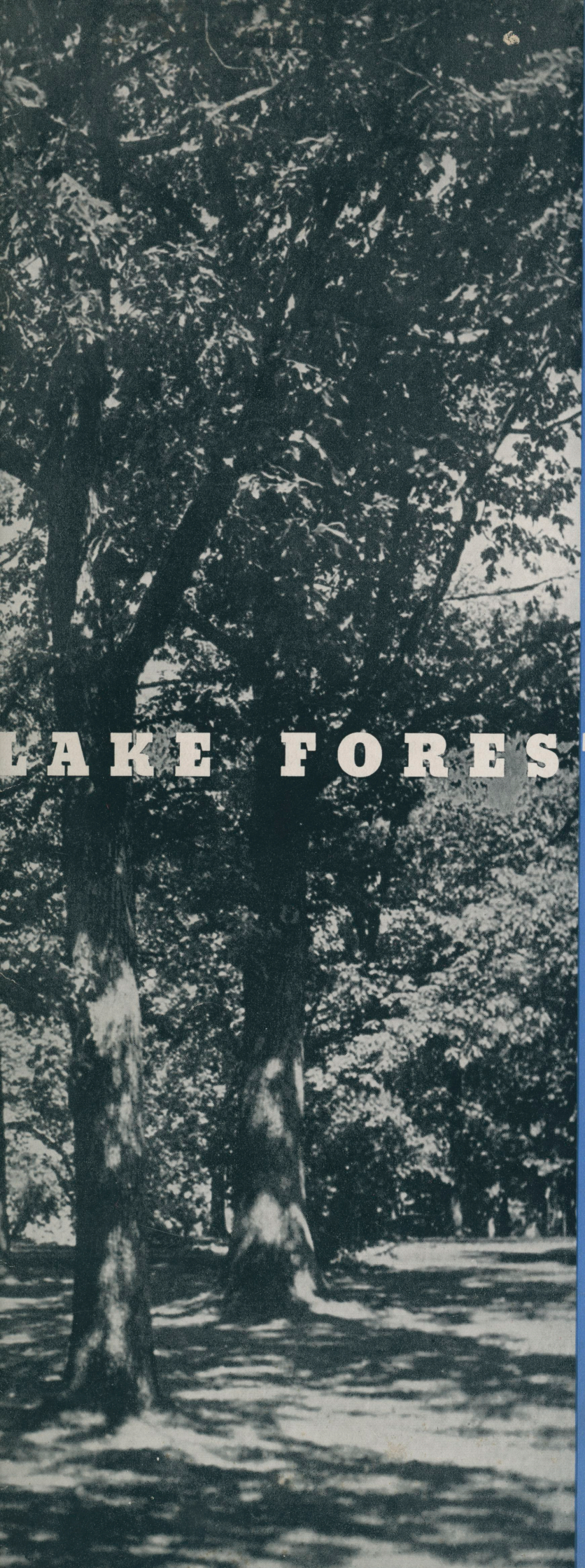

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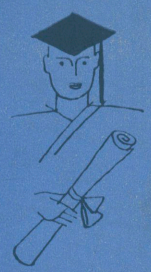

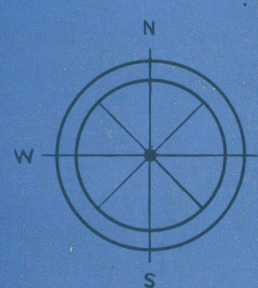

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You are about to select the scene of your college training. Information concerning courses of study is readily available; but that concerning the only slightly less important matters of college environment and campus life is often difficult to obtain. You may spend five or six hours each day in the classroom or laboratory; the hours that remain constitute campus life. This booklet answers your questions, *What is this life at Lake Forest? What will my life be at Lake Forest College?*

The terms college and university have distinct meanings. A college has the clear purpose of training you for living; its faculty has the responsibility of setting for you an example of clear thinking and useful life. A university, on the other hand, is primarily concerned with discovering knowledge; thus in the great universities the close-knit, friendly intimacy of the college is less possible. The college professor has for his main interest his students; the university professor, his subject. Lake Forest is a small college. As such it exists for the welfare and development of its students.

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Lake Forest College is well equipped for its work. When you first pass through the arched red-stone doorway of Durand Auditorium, where the College administrative offices are located, and thence out onto the landscaped, wooded acres of the campus you find a physical plant valued at over one and a half million dollars. Twenty-six buildings are here on fifty acres, including six dormitories, the library, chapel, gymnasium, dining-hall, and classroom halls. Laboratories are fully equipped. The library, with 47,136 volumes, contains notable and rare collections of books and periodicals.

You will not see, immediately upon arriving, the friendly breadth of student life as it

is lived at Lake Forest; nor the inexpressible *spirit* of the College, founded upon nearly three quarters of a century of rich tradition. But of this, more later.

Buildings and endowment are necessary. They furnish the physical base upon which the *idea* of the College lives and grows. But more important than these are the men and women who people these buildings, who translate this idea into the College we see.

One of the first persons you meet is Lake Forest's president, Herbert Moore, one of the College's first graduates, a onetime football player, a former student in Edinburgh, Scotland. He is deeply interested in his students. President Moore will not forget your name. He endeavors to know every student, and scores of graduates he knows and addresses by their given names. You will have many opportunities to talk with President Moore, not only across his desk in Durand Auditorium, but at football games and many other student affairs. (The traditional home of the president, Bross House, is on the College campus.)

It is one of the fine customs at Lake Forest that a student need not be enrolled in his classes to know a Lake Forest professor. Because of the friendly life of the College, you will, before many weeks have passed, become acquainted with these men and women

Bross House, the home of the President, was built in 1889, *as a gift of the late William Bross of Chicago. It was Mr. Bross who established the Bross Foundation* (*page* 24)... *Abigail Donohue Moore, wife of President Moore, is known and revered by scores of graduates of the past* 15 *years. Her gracious counsel and friendly helpfulness have endeared her to many . . . At the right, Herbert McComb Moore, D. D., President.*

through some sport or hobby or campus activity. Every professor and instructor at Lake Forest enters enthusiastically into activities on the campus. The residence on the campus of nearly all teachers and students makes possible this community of friendly feeling and cooperative helpfulness for which the College is distinguished.

Lake Forest students live a friendly community life. You will soon find, as "old" students welcome the "new" students, that nearly everyone knows everyone else. All things considered, this is what in truth makes campus life at Lake Forest so worth living. At Lake Forest you will soon find yourself a part in this life that is pleasant, gratifying, and profitable.

Students come to Lake Forest from every part of the United States, although a majority, of course, come from homes in those states nearest Lake Forest. But hardly a year goes by without a student having the pleasure and interesting experience of knowing a fellow student from a distant section of the United States, Japan, Korea, China, the Philippines, or some other land. Many a life-long friendship is made in these college years.

The unusual fact that the whole College, with the exception of day students, from President Moore to the last freshman, lives on the campus, provides the key to the unity of life at Lake Forest. The College was among the first to institute the freshman dormitory system. All first-year men reside in North Hall where they have the counsel of faculty advisers. This system does not limit freshman activities unduly, but it does provide the first-year man with every opportunity and help to succeed. Men of the other three classes reside in Blackstone and Harlan Halls. Women students at Lake Forest have their College homes in Lois Durand Hall and Patterson Lodge, where recreation and visiting rooms are provided. Lois Durand Hall is also the home and office of the Dean of Women.

You will have your meals at Calvin Durand Commons, seated in groups of ten. All meals are prepared under the supervision of the Director of commons and dormitories,

Blackstone and Harlan Halls stand their castellated towers up to the setting sun as they mount guard at the southern tip of the Campus. These twin dormitories for upperclassmen, collegiate Gothic in style, were the gift of Mrs. Timothy B. Blackstone of Chicago, and are named in memory of Mr. Blackstone, late president of the Chicago & Alton Railway, and Richard D. Harlan, a former president of Lake Forest.

an experienced dietician. The Commons is the scene of some of the College's most-remembered events. There are special all-school dinners at Hallowe'en, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, Homecoming, Dad's Day, and Commencement. On these occasions there is musical entertainment and, after dinner, students entertain themselves with the singing of College and popular songs. President and Mrs. Moore and many of the faculty and their wives attend these dinners.

Only in the rarest of cases is illness ever a problem at Lake Forest, where the climate is healthful and invigorating. However, Alice Home, the city hospital, on the North Campus of the College, assures you every modern care at special rates in the event of any sickness.

Thus, within the fifty acres that comprise Lake Forest College, you will find provided every facility for a healthful, stimulating, profitable, and happy college life.

As a freshman at Lake Forest College, you will have your home for the first year in North Hall. This is an old building, completely modern inside, rich in the traditions of the College. Here all freshman men live together, with a faculty proctor for guidance and help in their college work.

All women students at Lake Forest College reside in Lois Durand Hall (left) or Patterson Lodge (below). The former, in Elizabethan style, was a gift of the late Henry C. Durand and was named in memory of Mr. Durand's mother. Here is located residence and office of the Dean of Women.

Patterson Lodge, which was formerly the home of the President, is also a residential quarters for women students. This lovely old home, set in a grove of trees, and completely modernized within, was named in honor of the first president of Lake Forest College, Dr. Robert Patterson.

It is important for you to note where these acres are located. The city of Lake Forest, which has grown about the College in the past seventy-five years, is one of the most beautiful in the United States. The natural grandeur of Lake Michigan's high-bluffed shore is unmatched. And with century-old elms and oaks, winding avenues and lanes crossing and re-crossing deep-cut ravines, the name *Lake Forest* becomes exactly descriptive. The College Campus itself is a natural wooded park, and its unusual beauty has brought it the name, "the Campus Beautiful." The distinguished Englishman, John Morley, after a visit to Lake Forest declared that he would rather live in Lake Forest than anywhere else in the world.

Yet, you are only an hour, by rail or car, from Chicago, thirty miles to the south. Lake Forest retains all the advantages of a healthful situation in the country and, at the same time, provides easy accessibility to the cultural, commercial, and industrial features of the midwest metropolis. Chicago's great museums, libraries, industries; its theatres, orchestras, and radio headquarters; its business and financial activities offer you experience and knowledge that only a great city can give.

Lake Forest is unique, also, in another manner. A few miles in either direction along the shore of Lake Michigan are located important posts of the two branches of our national defense. To the south is Fort Sheridan, scene of so much dramatic activity during the late war and today mid-western headquarters for our military defense. To the north is Great Lakes Naval and Aviation Station, whose giant radio masts, visible for miles, were among the very first erected in the west. Students often visit these posts and on occasion attend military and naval functions. Commandants of the two posts, who are ranking generals or admirals, frequently visit the campus.

The wide, sandy beach on the shore of Lake Michigan, adjacent to the College Campus, provides an excellent scene for picnics. Here is a portion of the crowd of College students and their College Day guests (high school seniors) at the annual spring-time picnic on the beach.

Commencement out of doors in June. Francis S. Hutchins, vice-president of Yale-in-China and brother of Robert M. Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago, is delivering the graduation address. The unusual beauty of the Lake Forest campus in the springtime makes these out-door exercises particularly attractive and impressive.

These things, then, are the things you can see: the campus, the College halls, the city, the locale, the people. What of the learning itself which is, after all, the prime purpose of going to college?

First of all, Lake Forest is a *small* college. It was designed to be a small college. Its student body is limited. It was never the plan of the Trustees that Lake Forest should be measurably larger than it is today. The result is a closely knit, friendly community of some 400 students and teachers where the individual needs of every student are considered. Classes are small. Instructors know students and have the opportunity in small classes to help them. There is a maximum of helpful personal contact. On the average there is one instructor for each ten students in the College.

Credits earned at Lake Forest are acceptable to all universities and professional and graduate schools in this country.

Lake Forest is a liberal arts college. In a professional school, nearly every course is taken for specific reasons at a certain time. A liberal arts college, as its name suggests, provides a wider range of subjects and a freer choice of studies. After becoming acquainted with the general knowledge of science, history, literature, and language, you

The College Library, which houses over 47,000 *volumes, was a gift of Mrs. Simon S. Reid as a memorial to her son, Arthur Somerville Reid, a former student. A gift of* $10,000 *from the Carnegie Foundation recently provided some* 5000 *new books.*

Reid Memorial Chapel, a companion building to the Library and joined to it by a graceful arched cloister, was also a gift of Mrs. Reid, a memorial to Mrs. Lily Reid Holt, class of 1884. *Like the Library, it is a Gothic structure of light gray Bedford stone, laced and twined with English ivy. The beautiful stained glass window is by Louis Tiffany. In the Chapel are held the weekly convocations, concerts, and similar meetings.*

Calvin Durand Commons, dining-hall for all students, was the gift of the late Calvin Durand. Here we see the plaza rail and beyond, at the left, the entrance. The interior is beamed and paneled in oak like a manor great hall of the English Tudor period, with two lead-paned oriel bays, one of which is shown above. Furnishings were a gift of the late D. Mark Cummings of Lake Forest . . . Opposite is a winter-time view taken from the Commons entrance which we see above. Beside it, in contrast, a summer scene of one of the several woods-like corners of the Campus which are permitted to remain in their natural uncultivated state. The broad expanse of the Campus provides, too, for a six-hole golf course.

choose a "major"—the subject which interests you most, and do the majority of your work in that field. You also select a "minor" or secondary interest. After that, you are free to balance your study program with courses in additional subjects related to your field of major interest.

You can, through such a liberal arts course, find your abilities and interests. Lake Forest constantly helps you to realize your talents, and then to make the most of them. This is the heart of the liberal arts college idea.

As a liberal arts college, Lake Forest teaches no strictly professional courses, although there are practical courses in teaching and business administration. If you plan to enter a profession, such as law, engineering, ministry, or medicine, you may carry on pre-professional study. The College confers two degrees, the Bachelor of Arts (A.B.) and Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration (A.B. Bus. Adm.).

A full teaching staff of professors and instructors, twelve of whom hold the highest degree in education, the doctorate, provide your instruction in the four major divisions of the College. These are (1) Language, Literature, and Fine Art, (2) The Social Sciences,

These two stone posts flank the entranceway to the South Campus. College Hall can be seen briefly through the trees beyond. To the right are the Library and Chapel (shown opposite), to the left North Hall. The pillar at the left bears the College seal, that at the right the date of Lake Forest's chartering, 1857. The park-like appearance of this section of the College Campus is characteristic of the entire fifty acres. Oaks, elms, hickories, with shrubs and flowers bordering expanses of clipped green lawn, make a beautiful wooded park.

(3) Philosophy, Religion, and Education, (4) the Natural Sciences. The Department of Physical Education completes the College curricular organization. (The College Catalog, which you may receive on request, gives full information concerning entrance requirements, courses of study, credits, tuition, living expenses, and other data.)

Under the College counseling system, freshmen and sophomores have the assistance and advice of assigned faculty counselors. These advisers aid you in the selection of courses, methods of study, and any personal or college problems that may arise. They are frequently of assistance also in the discovery of students' vocational interests and abilities. The spirit of the system is one of helpful guidance and co-operation, rather than of supervision and criticism.

Lake Forest, as a private endowed school, is free of political influence or interference. Its professors are under no obligation or pressure to teach propaganda or political dogma; they are entirely unhampered by prejudice against any religion or political

creed. And although Lake Forest was founded by Presbyterians, and it is the constant purpose of the College to maintain a wholesome Christian atmosphere, you will at no time have pressed upon you any sectarian views. Nor are there any denominational requirements for professors, president, or trustees.

In every college, classes and lectures and laboratories take up only a part of the whole college day. The remainder is campus life. At Lake Forest this life is broad, varied, interesting, and offers full opportunity to the talents of every student. Dramatics,

athletics, music, literary work, private study—all or any of them are open to you. Lake Forest has no fixed rules of campus life. You are treated as an adult and asked to conform to two broad requirements only: good scholarship and good conduct; beyond that you are free to create your own campus life.

Many students take an active part in dramatics. The Garrick Club, one of the oldest organizations on the campus, has a record of 34 years of dramatic productions high in professional standards. Its several presentations each year, which draw large audiences, include both famous masterpieces and the latest Broadway successes. Through courses in Acting, Stagecraft, and Play-Directing, you may, if you wish, get actual experience in every phase of the theatre. First-year students are extended every opportunity to

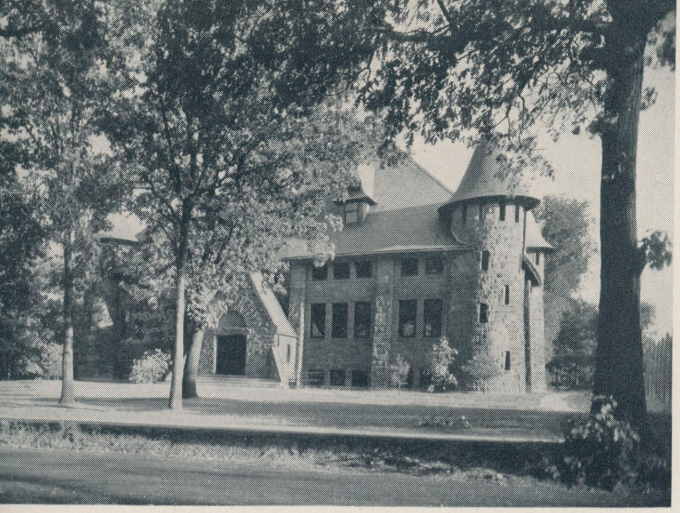
"Smilin' Through" is famous as a country-wide stage and moving-picture success. It was produced recently by the Garrick Players on their stage in Henry C. Durand Auditorium . . . The Players, in their own workshop, design and build the scenery for all their productions given at the College.

Elmer Rice's Pulitzer prize play, "Street Scene" (lower right, opposite page) was one of the recent major productions of the Garrick Players. Sixty students were in the cast, while ten more were required on the stage staff. This play, which required a specially built setting, was unusually successful. Below at the left on the opposite page is a scene from the play "Skidding"... Membership in the Garrick Players is open to all students who meet certain requirements of the group.

The play "Alien Corn" has been made famous by the well-known actress, Katharine Cornell. A scene from the play as produced by the Garrick Players is shown at right . . . During their 34 years, the Players have staged scores of plays varying from light comedy and farce to the most serious drama.

Members of the Garrick Players not only act, but produce and stage their plays as well. Here are two members of a production staff assisting in the hanging of a new curtain on the Durand Auditorium stage.

prove their abilities, and one play each year is given by members of the freshman class. Professional critics frequently review Garrick plays; and *Billboard*, famous New York theatrical paper, has named the Garrick Players one of the outstanding theatre groups of the midwest. Scenes shown here are typical of their regular dramatic activities.



The Gymnasium . . . like a towered, brownstone castle.

Related to dramatic activities are those in debate and public speaking. Platform and after-dinner skill in speaking, combined with clear thinking, are necessary equipments in the modern world, and the College furthers them in every way. Lake Forest debaters have several times conducted radio debates over Chicago stations, and every year scheduled debates are held with other colleges and universities. Students have many opportunities to use their speaking abilities in public, for practice and experience.

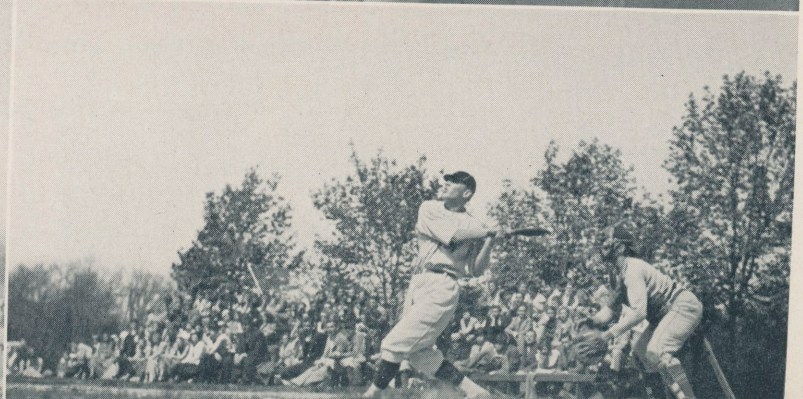
Organized athletics at Lake Forest are carried on under two divisions, intramural and intercollegiate. Under the direction of Coach Ralph Jones, former Big Ten coach and mentor of the Chicago Bears, intercollegiate sports at Lake Forest include football, basketball, baseball, and tennis. Schedules are made up of representative teams from the Little Nineteen, Midwest, and Wisconsin college conferences. Outdoor games are played on Farwell Field, the College's seven-acre athletic tract.

Intramural teams in basketball, indoor ball, track, tennis, and golf are organized on the campus in season, so that "athletics for all" becomes a popular practice and not merely a program. Competition is unusually goodwilled and keen, and the twilight soft-ball games in the spring draw large crowds of students to the campus practice field adjoining the Commons. The wide sandy beach on Lake Michigan provides for swimming and sun bathing.

Many students come to Lake Forest with an active interest in music. They continue and increase their interest and ability through participation in the College chorus,

Coach Ralph Jones wears a pleased expression as the Red and Black football team executes a good play on the College gridiron, Farwell Field, a gift of the late U. S. Senator C. B. Farwell, an early benefactor of the College ... Right, a football crowd caught in a moment of relaxation between halves of a game.

The College Band, in scarlet-lined blue capes, strikes up The Fight Song between halves of the game.



chapel choir, band, or orchestra; or through enrollment in the several courses in theoretical and practical music offered by the Department of Music; or in private study. Various programs and concerts are presented by students during the year, on the campus and over the radio.

Edited and managed by the students are *The Stentor*, the weekly College newspaper, and *The Forester*, the yearbook. The former is now in its fiftieth year. A weekly forum of student thought and opinion, and recorder of all College activities, it attracts some of the best talent in the College. *The Forester*, published each spring, contains in story and picture a complete record of the year.

Numerous social, study, and honor organizations engage the attention of students interested in particular activities.

Speaking recently to a group of Lake Forest graduates, whose memories of the College are not so much of buildings and books and games as they are of the friendly, cordial warmth of campus life, President Moore said:

"You and I know that there is a spirit and an essence to life at Lake Forest that defies translation into words . . . a distillation of nearly three-quarters of a century of Lake Forest tradition, custom, and manner. That very real tradition of ours that everyone on the campus know everyone else was never more alive. You know the reasons why: Our original Lake Forest plan of providing first-year men with their own building. Our provision of a common dining-hall for all students. Our weekly assembly of students and faculty members. Our many student affairs which all students and faculty attend. And most of all, our friendly old custom of everyone speaking to everyone else whether there have been formal introductions or not."

At Lake Forest, the entire College, students and faculty, join in campus activities. At the left we see President Moore (center, standing) with Mrs. Moore at his right, among a group of alumni, at a Homecoming football game. Below are two sports scenes snapped on Farwell Field, the football team in action, and the baseball team at a tense moment, as a Lake Forest player knocks out a home run.

Carnegie Science Hall, on South Campus, gift of the Scot industrialist and philanthropist, the late Andrew Carnegie. Here are located classrooms and laboratories for physics, astronomy and mathematics.

The stories of the many Lake Forest traditions and customs would fill a volume. It is difficult even to suggest them here, because they are so much a part of the College itself. Homecomings, Dad's Days, and proms you are familiar with. But there are many others—festive all-school dinners, the ceremonies of honorary societies, informal parties and dances, bonfires, breakfasts. Perhaps the words of a recent guest at the College can best sum up in general these pleasant customs: "What a *friendly* place Lake Forest is!" And long after the rest of college has become a memory, Lake Forest graduates remember this friendliness.

This, then, is the story of Lake Forest. It is a story we are proud to tell. While it *is* possible for you to get your learning from books at home, the detail, the color, the tone, the air, the *life* which make knowledge and accomplishment live in us must be caught from friendly surroundings and from those in whom it lives already. Such surroundings, and such people, Lake Forest can give you.

Four years at Lake Forest College will definitely increase your opportunities for success in the world. Never before has there been such demand for college graduates who have

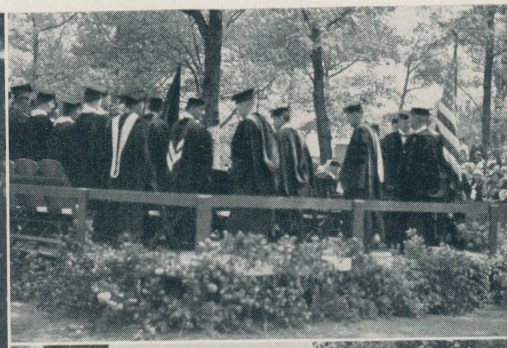
acquired a broad, liberal knowledge; a clear understanding of human problems and the ability accurately to define these problems; the talent to see and think and express themselves clearly and sensibly. This is the sort of man and woman that modern business and modern professions insist upon having.

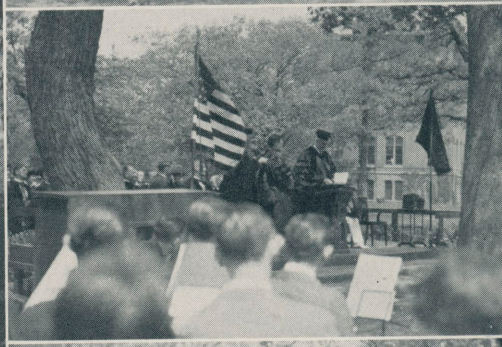
If we have pictured to you the kind of college education and college living that you believe you want, we shall be glad to tell you more about Lake Forest. Better still, come and visit Lake Forest. Only by being in the College can you know what it is really like. You are welcome to come at any time, and to bring your parents if you like.

Lake Forest is 30 miles north of Chicago on Highway 42, and 60 miles south of Milwaukee. It may be reached easily on either the North Western or the Chicago, North Shore & Milwaukee railroads. There are hotel accommodations a few blocks from the campus if you wish to stay over night.

For further details, and for the College catalog, write to Box B-36, President's Office, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, Illinois.

College Hall has for nearly sixty years been a Lake Forest landmark. It is the oldest building on the Campus and, in the old days, housed the entire school. It is still in active service, used by four departments of the College. Close by, almost under its shadows, graduation exercises are held in June, out of doors, under the trees. Here the graduating class, in robe and mortarboard, with friends and relatives receive their degrees.





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For the best book or manuscript, heretofore unpublished, on the connection, relation, and mutual bearing of the Humanities, the Social Sciences, the Biological Sciences, the Physical Sciences, or any branch of human knowledge, with and upon the Christian religion, the Trustees of Lake Forest College will award a cash prize of $15,000. The award will be made under the Bross Foundation, after decision by a committee of judges, on or after January 1, 1940.

This Foundation was planned by William Bross of Chicago in the years following the death of his infant son, Nathaniel, in 1856; stipulated in his agreement with the Trustees of Lake Forest College, in 1879; and consummated at the time of his death, in 1890.

William Bross, in his trust agreement, set forth the purpose of this international prize competition as follows: "The offer must be open to scientific men, the Christian philosophers, and historians of all nations . . . My object is to call out the best efforts of the highest talent and the ripest scholarship of the world, to illustrate from science or from any department of knowledge and to demonstrate the divine origin and the authority of the Christian Scriptures; and, further, to show how both science and revelation coincide and prove the existence, the providence, or any or all of the attributes of the only living and true God, 'infinite, eternal, and unchangeable in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth'."

Full information concerning the Bross Competition may be had by addressing Herbert McComb Moore, President, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, Illinois.